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Mr Willie O'Dea TD, Dàil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

PQ 38585/23

*To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the proposal to develop a 'surgical hub' in Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Willie O'Dea

Dear Deputy O'Dea

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The proposed Surgical Hub for Limerick is at the preliminary design stage. The project brief has been agreed and a preferred site has been identified. The project is being progressed in tandem with similar proposals for Cork and Waterford.

A planning permission application for the Limerick Surgical Hub is intended for submission to Limerick City and County Council by early November 2023. It is also intended to progress the design and tender processes in parallel with the planning permission process.

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Colette Cowan Chief Executive Officer UL Hospitals Group

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